# PROGRAM IMPACTING WOMEN IN THE STATE DEPARTMENTS

#### **Michigan Department of Agriculture**

Animal Disease Surveillance – monitors animals for various diseases in order to help safeguard the human population from disease that can pass between animals and humans, either through direct contact with animals or through consumption of animal products.

Agriculture Tourism – provides opportunity to visit farm markets, specialty u-pick farms and corn mazes is a family event that can be enjoyed all year long.

Bovine Tuberculosis (TB) Eradication – provides research and education programs to eradicate TB, which poses a risk for livestock, wildlife, companion animals and humans.

Companion Animal Program – protects human health, the health of companion animals and livestock in our state, and consumer interests against disease, prevention, prophylaxis and control of rabies.

Dairy Safety Inspections – tests to maintain safety, wholesomeness and marketability of milk and milk products to ensure proper health for citizens.

Farm Markets – works to enhance quality of locally grown produce to Michigan families, while strengthening Michigan family farms.

Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program – preserves agricultural and open space land to provide for current and future needs of Michigan citizens.

Food Safety Inspections – benefits every consumer in Michigan by assuring all foods meet Michigan quality and purity standards.

Foodborne Illness Planning & Response Program – closely monitors reported incidence of foodborne illness to determine trends, identify factors that cause outbreaks and recommend ways to prevent further outbreaks.

Licensing & Business Program – provides state residents with licenses to retail food and food services in their communities.

Michigan Groundwater Stewardship – provides individuals with water quality information through monitoring private wells across the state for general chemistry, pesticides, and volatile compounds.

Migrant Labor Housing Program – ensures safe, adequate housing for migrant farm workers through annual inspections and licensing of sites. Also, monitors quality of water, proper food preparation and storage facilities.

Motor Fuel Quality – protects unsuspecting consumers from the use of illegal devices, adulterated products and costly engine repair due to substandard gasoline quality.

Select a Taste of Michigan – provides healthy organic and locally grown food products to Michigan families.

Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) – feeds children during school vacations at other sites that organizations can sponsor.

West Nile Virus (WNV) – addresses animal health in relation to WNV through surveillance activities to protect human health and consumer interests.

## **Michigan Department of Civil Rights**

Michigan Women's Commission – provides leadership and coordination on women's issues through a 15-member commission.

MDCR - established in the State constitution of 1963 to secure equal protection of civil rights and investigate allegations of discrimination. Provides the following customer service options: information, referral, complaint resolution (early resolution, investigation and mediation), outreach and education (speakers, training, workshops, technical assistance, and crisis response).

# Michigan Department of Civil Service

No programs that are solely for women

## **Michigan Department of Community Health**

Abstinence Program – promotes abstinence from sexual and other risky behaviors for adolescents.

Adolescent Health – provides health services to uninsured by funding 31 teen health centers.

Asthma – provides an interactive clearinghouse of asthma information, GetAsthmaHelp.org, 1-866-ezlungs.

Breast & Cervical Cancer Screening – provides breast and cervical cancer screening for income eligible women.

Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention – coordinates lead poisoning prevention and surveillance services for children.

Children's Special Health Care Services – provides children and some adults with special health care needs by paying specialty medical bills, coordinating services from multiple

providers, coordinating health insurance benefits, learning about specialty providers and covering co-pays or deductibles.

Community Mental Health - serves persons with Severe Mental Illness, Developmental Disability, or Substance Use Disorder. Available statewide, but access is at the local CMH in each county. Contact: the local CMH (found under mental health in the yellow pages)

Crime Victim Services Commission – uses state and federal funds to support victim services at local public and non-profit agencies serving crime victims. Crime victim compensation program helps pay out-of-pocket medical expenses, lost earnings, funeral bills or financial support for people who suffer physical injury as a direct result of a crime. Michigan Crime Victim Notification Network (MCVNN) 1-800-770-7657 is a free, confidential 24-hour-telephone computer interface that allows crime victims and other citizens to register to receive almost instantaneous telephone notice whenever a prisoner's custody status changes.

Diabetes – provides 78 Diabetes Self-Management Training programs and funds 6 diabetes Outreach Networks.

Early Hearing Detection & Intervention – identifies and intervenes for newborns with congenital hearing loss.

Family Planning – offers comprehensive reproductive health care and makes available a broad range of contraceptive services through a provider network.

Fetal Alcohol Syndrome – reduces the number of children with FAS and provides diagnosis and support services.

Hearing Screening – screens children for hearing impairment and provides referral and follow-up.

Infant Support Services – provides services to high risk, Medicaid eligible infants.

Maternal & Child HIV/AIDS – provides comprehensive care for women, children and adolescents infected and/or affected by HIV/AIDS.

Maternal Mortality Surveillance – reviews the causes and circumstances of death for any women who die during pregnancy or within one year of the end of a pregnancy.

Maternal Support Services – provides services to high risk pregnant women at or below 185% of poverty.

Medicaid – provides necessary health care services for family independence program and SSI recipients and other low-income people. Department of Human Services determines eligibility and the Department of Community Health administers the program.

Nurse Family Partnership – works to improve the health & social functioning of low income first time mothers and their babies.

Oral Health – improves the oral health of the population.

Osteoporosis Prevention – the Partnership for Better Bones increases the awareness among providers and consumers about osteoporosis.

Part C: Early On - provides early intervention services for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families.

Preconceptual Health Program – provides guidance to women who have lost a fetus or infant to help plan for the next pregnancy by encouraging actions to improve her mental or physical health status.

Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring & Surveillance – gather and monitors data on the status of women's social, emotional and physical health status and the services they receive during and after pregnancy.

Prenatal Care Demonstration Models – facilitates healthy pregnancy outcomes for urban African-American families, at high risk of a second fetal or infant death.

Prenatal Smoking Cessation – trains and supports prenatal care providers and staff to reduce smoking in pregnant women.

Safe Kids – provides information on child safety seat, www.michigansafekids.org.

Substance abuse treatment programs for pregnant women and women with children:

Sudden Infant Death Syndrome & Other Infant Death Services – reduces infant mortality through education about the risks for SIDS and provide grief support for those affected.

Teen Outreach – increases number of adolescents abstaining from risky behaviors.

Vision Screening – screens children for vision impairment and provides referral and follow-up.

Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC) – provides funds for purchase of food.

#### **Michigan Department of Corrections**

#### **Employees**

• Supervisory Leadership Training for Women and Managerial Leadership Training for Women – The women's leadership training consist of programs developed to augment the careers of women in the field of corrections. Participants are able to

assess their personal leadership styles and set specific goals for a career development plan. Our model provides the opportunity for women from various areas of the Department to meet other professionals and expand their knowledge base and networking capabilities by learning about other administrations, geographical areas, and security levels.

- Go Red for Women Campaign sponsored by the American Heart Association.
   The Department passed out red pin dresses as well as material for the prevention of heart disease.
- Wellness Campaign Held during the State's 8 weeks to Wellness Campaign.
   We passed out fruit and "5 a day for better health" fliers. Staff of the YMCA was on-site and waived initiation fee for state employees for the month of May.
   Additionally, we had a representative from the Employee Services Program on-site promoting better mental health.
- Mental Health Campaign Sponsored by the Employee Services Program

## **Prisoners**

- Females in Transition The Department instituted Michigan's first community-based halfway house for female inmates, the Females In Transition program, which begins with a phase of release preparation for inmates and then provides a six-month transition stage from prison to the community developed by a joint committee of Department of Corrections prison, parole board, and parole supervision authorities and Wayne County service providers. This program will enhance public safety as the program assists in the successful transition of female offenders into society.
- Intensive Parole Re-entry Program Under the MI Prisoner Re-entry Initiative, the Department is opening the first Intensive Re-entry Prison Unit for female inmates at the Huron Valley Complex Women in May 2005. The program will assess female inmate needs and respond to those needs with arrangements for placement and service delivery from community agencies throughout Michigan.
- Child Visitation Program Under this program, parenting classes are provided for mothers, as well as supervised special visits between mothers and their children.
- NA/AA provides substance abuse programming and support systems.
- University of Michigan Students provide opportunities in creative writing and drama
- American Friends Service Committee Conducts and Women's Study Class, presenting women's issues and history from a feminist view
- University of Michigan College Classes The following classes are provided by volunteer University of Michigan, Dearborn professors to female inmates at the Scott Correctional facility: Understanding Society, Writing Personal History, Understanding Women, Black Family in Contemporary America
- Vocational Classes Offered to prepare prisoners for better employability is the following topics: Horticulture, Graphic Arts, Automotive Repair, Building Trades, and Business Education Training
- Academic Classes GED, Adult Basic Reading/Math,

- Vocational Assessment and Evaluation Program testing, evaluation, assessment
  and counseling helps women focus on educational, job training, and/or
  employment choices based on their interests, skills, and abilities, by examining
  their strengthens and weaknesses, as they set their goals in returning upon release
  within their own communities.
- Michigan State Industries
  - ➤ Janitorial Products Factory employs female prisoners to produce a complete line of cleaning products
  - ➤ Dental Lab employs female prisoners to become dental lab technicians and helps the department by producing all full and partial dentures and other dental appliances for its prisoner population.
- Recreation offers various intramural sports for women
- Legal Writer trains female prisoners to assist other female prisoners, who do not have the education, handicapped, or physical disabilities, in legal issues (under contract with Services of Women Legal Services, Inc.)

#### **Michigan Department of Education**

Early On, Part C, managed by Intermediate School Districts (ISD's) and some health departments for families with children with disabilities.

Great Parent, Great Start is managed by ISDs and focused on parenting skills.

Even Start grants target families; mostly women participate in this program aimed at improving family literacy for families with children 0-7. This year 31 grants were funded.

READY Kits are provided to families with young children. These are used by moms and dads, but mostly moms use these.

## Michigan Department of Human Services

Adoption Services – plans and supervises adoptive placement of permanent state or DHS-supervised court wards.

Adult community placement – provides community placement, coordination for licensed, residential care for aged, physically handicapped or developmentally disabled adults who are unable to live alone.

Adult Independent Living Services – provides case management, personal care and other supportive services to enable individuals to remain in their own homes.

Child Day Care Services – pays all of a portion of child day care expense for low income families.

Child Support Enforcement – assists in establishing paternity and obtaining child support payments.

Children's Trust Fund – focuses on public education and awareness, information dissemination and funding a network of local community-based prevention programs.

Community Supportive Services – promotes through various programs parents' abilities to successfully nurture their children and to use resources and opportunities in their communities.

Disability Determination Services – determines the eligibility of adults and children who apply for benefits under the Social Security and Supplemental Security Income disability programs.

Employment (Work First Program) – provides employment and training services to customers.

Family Independence Program – provides cash assistance to eligible families with children.

Family Preservation Services (Families First) – provides short-term crisis services as an alternative to out-of-home care for children of families referred by protective services, foster care, delinquency or domestic violence.

Food Assistance Program – increases the food purchasing power of low-income households.

Foster Care – provides out of home placement for children in cases of delinquency, abuse, or neglect when deemed necessary by Family Court.

HIV/AIDS Services – provides advocacy services for people who test positive for HIV or AIDS.

Juvenile Justice Services – provides for the care and supervision of delinquent state wars referred to DHS by the courts.

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program – helps meet home heating costs for those qualifying.

Medicaid – provides necessary health care services for family independence program and SSI recipients and other low-income people. DHS determines eligibility and the Department of Community Health administers the program. Women are eligible for all Medicaid programs if they meet the eligibility requirements. Some specific Medicaid programs for women include:

- Healthy Kids for Pregnant Women – available to a woman while she is pregnant, the month her pregnancy ends and during the two calendar months

- following the month her pregnancy ended. Her fiscals group's net income cannot exceed 185% of the poverty level.
- Group 2 Pregnant Women MA is available to a pregnant woman who meets the financial and non-financial eligibility factors. A woman who is eligible for and receiving MA when her pregnancy ends and remains otherwise eligible may continue receiving MA benefits for the two calendar months following her month her pregnancy ends for any reason.

Michigan Domestic Violence Board – provides grants to 46 nonprofit community-based agencies that assist victims of domestic violence and their dependent children.

Migrant Services – coordinates services to over 40,000 migrant agricultural workers and family members through 11 regional Migrant Resource Councils and the State of Michigan Interagency Migrant Services committee.

Native American Affairs – coordinates implementation of state and federal laws.

Office of Child and Adult Licensing - licenses Adult Foster Care Licensing, Child Day Care Licensing, Camp Licensing, and Child Welfare Licensing.

The Office of Family Advocate (OFA) - within Executive Office of DHS and reports to the Director of DHS. OFA serves as DHS's liaison to the Office of Children's Ombudsman and upon receipt of a complaint, OFA investigates DHS/Private Agency's handling of child welfare cases.

Protective Services – investigates reports of alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of children or vulnerable adults, and provides intervention as necessary.

Refugee Assistance Services – coordinates a variety of services to eligible refugees.

Runaway and Homeless Youth Service Program – provides services to runaway and homeless youths.

State Disability Assistance – provides cash assistance to disabled adults who do not have dependent children.

State Emergency Relief – provides limited assistance to individuals and families facing emergencies that threaten their health or safety.

State Medical Program – provides basic, outpatient health care services to low-income adults who do not qualify for other medical programs. DHS determines eligibility and Mi Department of Community Health administers the program.

Supplemental Security Income – DHS pays a supplement to all SSI eligible recipients.

Teen Parent Program – provides comprehensive coordinated services to teen parents in 18 counties to assist in meeting the health and developmental needs of their children.

Volunteer Services – recruits, trains and places volunteers for direct services to DHS customers.

Youth in Transition – prepares eligible foster-care teens for living on their own.

## **Michigan Department of Information Technology**

The overall state government percentage of women employees is 50.9 percent, which approximates the percentage of women in the total national workforce. State government has about twice the proportion of women in IT in comparison to the national average. Forty (40.39) percent of DIT's employees are women compared to 20 percent of technology professionals nationally. Of the 221 managers within DIT, 75 are women, which is 33.9% of the total. Of the 50 leaders within DIT (17 level and above), 19 are women, which is 38%.

MDIT both supports internal programs and projects to advance women as well as those of other departments. It also collaborates with external entities and utilizes external resources. The services are for both employees as well as customers of the state, and also include state Web sites and interactive services. Examples are described below.

#### **Internal Activities and Services**

Diversity and Women

- MDIT is looking at diversity from a broad perspective, which includes women's issues.
- Steps have been taken to initiate an ongoing education and awareness program.
- MDIT has ensured that interview panels are diverse.

## Women's Leadership Program

- MDIT has implemented a program whereby female managers are selected for training offered by the Center for Women's Leadership through the Women's Economic Club. The purpose of the program is to:
  - Promote the advancement of women in the workplace by providing education to and about women in leadership positions, business and the professions
  - o Provide skill building, leadership training and mentoring
  - o Conduct and disseminate research regarding the development of women as leaders and
  - o Strengthen the network of women business leaders and provide access to community and business leadership opportunities.
  - o It is an intensive, highly personalized eight-month program, with monthly sessions lasting from one half to a full day. Each group has a trained leader from the Women's Leadership Program who facilitates the sessions, and includes executives from major Michigan corporations. There are

group projects, as well as opportunities to network throughout the program.

# IT and Service Support of Other Departments

MDIT provides support to other department programs providing services to women and children. These include:

- Support for the Web site for Michigan's Women's Commission (Civil Rights)
- IT support for many of the programs cited in "State Programs Impacting Women" (Departments of Agriculture, Civil Rights, Community Health, Human Services, Labor and Economic Growth, Management and Budget, and Natural Resources)
- State programs requiring enterprise, intergovernmental, public private, multidepartmental approaches:
  - o After School Experience
  - o Birth Defect Program
  - o Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program (BCCCP)
  - o Cardio Vascular Health Program for Women
  - o Child Support
  - o Children or Adult Foster Camps
  - o Children's Action Network
  - o Day Care Look Up
  - o Domestic Violence
  - o Family Planning
  - o Injury Prevention Program for Women
  - o Long Term Care
  - o Mammography Facilities
  - o Michigan Assistance & Referral Service
  - o Michigan Childhood Immunization Registry (MCIR)
  - o MSS/ISS (Maternal Support system/Infant Support System (MSS / ISS)
  - o MOMS (Medicaid Program)
  - o Nursery Home Look Up
  - o Pregnant Mothers and Children
  - o Project Fresh (provides fresh fruit and veggies to women and children)
  - o Services for the Aging
  - o Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
  - o Tobacco Cessation Program for Women
  - o WISE Women (DCH Program)
  - o Women, Infants and Children (WIC)

# Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth

Adult Education - provides grant funds to educational institutions to assist in developing programs in Adult Basic Education, High School Completion and English as a Second Language instruction.

Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act - uses funds from the United States Department of Education are distributed to high schools and community colleges across the state to support and enhance career and technical education programs.

Dislocated Worker Program - provides the same services under the WIA Adult Program, and is available to displaced homemakers.

Displaced Homemaker Program - provides employment and training services to displaced homemakers so they can achieve and retain full-time, unsubsidized employment.

Food Assistance Employment and Training (FAE&T) Program - helps individuals maintain or regain their food assistance eligibility by participating in a qualifying work program or training activity.

Michigan Commission for the Blind – assists individuals with visual impairment.

Michigan Commission on Disability Concerns – responds to advocates for Michigan's 1.9 million people with disability.

Michigan Rehabilitation Services – provides disabled individuals with vocational evaluations, career counseling, job placement services and job follow-up services.

Non-Custodial Parent (NCP) Program - provides an option for Friends of the Court (FOCs) attempting to enforce child support payments against unemployed or underemployed NCPs.

Work First - establishes and maintains a connection to the labor market for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) recipients, Non-Custodial Parent (NCPs), and recipients of non-cash assistance such as Child Day Care, Medicaid, and Food Assistance.

Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Adult Program - provides workforce investment activities that increase the employment, retention, and earning of participants, and increases the occupational skill attainment by participants, which reduces welfare dependency and improves the quality of the workforce.

The Department monitors the enrollment and completion of high school and community college students in career education programs that are nontraditional for their gender. Activities for recruitment and support of these students are developed and designed to promote experiences that assure retention in and completion of nontraditional programs to reduce gender bias and gender role stereotyping.

The Department, as the state agency responsible for the administration of career and technical education programs, has adopted a compliance program to prevent, identify, and remedy discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age by its subrecipients. The Civil Rights Compliance Program is a comprehensive

review system designed to improve the delivery of career and technical education through the assurance of equal opportunity for all groups and populations. The OCR Compliance Program is designed to: insure that equal educational opportunities are provided to all students, including full opportunity to participate in programs, activities, and job opportunities, and to benefit from services; prohibit barriers to achieving full participation, such as the stereotyping of individuals based on their racial, ethnic, gender identity, age, or on their disabling conditions; provide education in an integrated setting; and, analyze, identify, and change policies and activities that impede the achievement of the above goals.

## Michigan Department of Management and Budget

Children's Ombudsman - investigates complaints about children in Michigan's child welfare system. The program is an administrative remedy; that investigates the actions, decisions, policies and protocols of the Department of Human Services (DHS) and child placing agencies as they relate to a particular child. The Ombudsman also makes recommendations to the Governor, Legislature, and DHS for changes in child welfare laws, rules, and policies.

As part of the Governor's strategy to grow the economy, while reducing administrative costs, DMB has stepped up efforts to increase participation in the competitive bid process. The results are lower contract costs for government; more contract opportunities for businesses; and greater diversity among the vendor pool. A key component of this initiative involves reaching out to small, women and minority business owners.

Business Opportunity Forums - which are conducted statewide, and in concert with the departments of Civil Rights, Transportation, Labor and Economic Growth, the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, and local and federal governmental agencies. DMB also participates in events sponsored by associations affiliated with the business and minority communities.

## **Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs**

Programs provided did not specifically serve women.

#### **Michigan Department of Natural Resources**

The Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW) program is a DNR-sponsored initiative targeted at women, 18 and older, to introduce them to traditional outdoors skills, with one-third of each program being shooting sports, one-third being fishing sports, and one-third being other outdoor activities. These programs are structured to be non-threatening, to empower women to become independent of structured programs and to lead women into mentoring roles with other women.

The Beyond BOW program, also sponsored by the DNR, offers more diversity in program content and is targeted at building individual skills first learned in a BOW

program. Under this format, women my register for a one-day or weekend program that may focus on one outdoor skill for advanced learning. Shooting, fly fishing and mountain biking are examples.

Mother/daughter shooting skills program was offered in cooperation with the Step-Outside program, sponsored by the National Shooting Sports Foundation.

Over the past few years, the DNR has placed considerable emphasis on depicting women participating in the out-of-doors for the covers and interior photos of our major publications and for the DNR Web site.

The department also maintains a database of nearly 1,200 Michigan women who are regularly provided updates on women's programs, including those sponsored by other organizations.

Publish a Web-based newsletter to women about women in the out-of-doors. It includes stories submitted by women describing their outdoor adventures and successes.

#### **Michigan Department of State Police**

Many of our programs are designed to train law enforcement, prosecutors, and service providers in the areas of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Statistically, women are far more likely to be victims of these types of crimes. When these types of crimes are committed, police officers who have been given quality training are more apt to hold the perpetrator accountable thus creating a safer environment for any person who may become a victim.

- PSS staff provides training and information in the area of domestic and sexual violence for law enforcement administrators, detectives, dispatchers, and officers.
- PSS staff, in collaboration with the Michigan Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Board (MDVPTB), provides school liaison officers training and curriculum to teach a dating violence lesson for high school students.
- PSS staff is certified domestic violence instructors and teach 14 hours of mandated curriculum to MSP recruits.
- As a STOP grant (Violence Against Women Act, STOP Violence Against Women) subcontractor with the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES), domestic and sexual violence prevention efforts are coordinated with the MDVPT, MCOLES, and other government agencies.
- In FY05, the MSP is pilot testing a domestic violence training CD in police academies. The CD entitled "You Think You Know – Domestic Violence" is an interactive CD created for police officers to watch domestic violence scenarios and then answer questions relating to the scenario. The CD also provides information on domestic violence laws, stalking laws, and personal protection orders.
- 207 PA 2001 required that the MSP develop a standard domestic violence incident report form for use by law enforcement officers investigating or

intervening in a domestic violence incident. In FY05, the PSS, in collaboration with MCOLES and a multi-disciplinary advisory group, is surveying agencies regarding their use of the "Standard Domestic Relationship Incident Form." The questionnaire will help determine the form's effectiveness and to determine if any modifications should be made.

- During FY05, the PSS, in collaboration with PAAM, MDVPTB, MCADSV, and MCOLES, will provide four regional trainings across the state, for law enforcement, prosecutors, and service providers on the investigation and prosecution of stalking.
- Also during FY05, the PSS, in collaboration with MCOLES, PAAM, and a multidisciplinary advisory group, will research the feasibility of developing a prototype High Tech Domestic Violence Investigation Program in Michigan.
- The PSS is coordinating 4 grant-funded regional training programs for the criminal justice community on prevention of abuse and sexual assault against older individuals and individuals with disabilities.

The PSS and MSP personnel across the state have developed many personal protection and sexual assault programs which are often given to women's groups. Once developed, the presentations are shared with all MSP Post Community Service Officers (PCSO) to provide instruction in their communities throughout the state. The following are examples of programs offered to citizens across the state.

- In 2002, the MSP Ypsilanti Post and Ann Arbor Police Department partnered in application for a federal grant to offer babysitting training for young teenagers. The grant was awarded and the program has been in effect for three years. The program benefits entire families to have peace of mind when they know their babysitter has successfully completed this program which teaches basic first aid and what to do in emergency situations.
- Many troopers across the state are certified car seat inspectors. If a mother or family member will be transporting a child in a car seat they can make an appointment at their local MSP Post to receive instruction on correct placement and securing of the car seat. This instruction is especially helpful for young mothers who may have no experience with car seats.
- In 2004, the MSP Paw Paw Post in cooperation with the community created a one time "Baby Shower Program." It was learned there were many single, lower income mothers in the area that were in need of many items to help with raising a child. The PCSO gathered donated items from all over the community and held a baby shower in the gymnasium of one of the local schools. Mothers were allowed to shop for whatever they needed for their child at no charge.
- The PCSO at the Ionia Post researched and developed a domestic violence program for pregnant teenagers. This program was widely accepted by the school districts in the Ionia Post area. The PCSO then created a follow-up program to include partners as well as the children once they were born.